GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Service – Marketing Department – Departmental Proceedings against Sri Md. Israr Ahmad, the then Joint Director of Marketing, Vijayawada and working at present as Director of Marketing in O/o. the Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing, Guntur - Under Rule 20 of APCS (CCA) Rules, 1991 – Articles of Charges – Issued.

AGRICULTURE AND CO-OPERATION(VIG-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 887 **Dated: 29-11-2016**

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ORDER :-

It is proposed to hold an enquiry against Sri Md. Israr Ahmad, the then Joint Director of Marketing, Vijayawada and working at present as Director of Marketing in 0/o the Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing, Guntur in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of APCS (CCA) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the enquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of Article of Charge (Annexure – I). A statement of imputations of misconduct in support of each Article of Charge is enclosed (Annexure –II). A list of documents by which and a list of witnesses by whom the article of charge is proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure –III & IV).

3. Sri Md. Israr Ahmad, the then Joint Director of Marketing, Vijayawada and working at present as Director of Marketing in O/o. the Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing, Guntur is directed to submit within 15 days of the receipt of this order, a written statement of his defense.

4. Sri Md. Israr Ahmad, the then Joint Director of Marketing, Vijayawada and working at present as Director of Marketing in 0/o the Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing, Guntur is further informed that an enquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charges that are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny the article of charge.

5. Sri Md. Israr Ahmad, the then Joint Director of Marketing, Vijayawada and working at present as Director of Marketing as Director of Marketing in O/o. the Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing, Guntur is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defense on or before the date specified in Para 3 above, further action will be proceeded based on the material available.

6. The attention of Sri Md. Israr Ahmad, the then Joint Director of Marketing, Vijayawada and working at present as Director of Marketing in O/o. the Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing, Guntur is invited to Rule 24 of the A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules, 1964 under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to hear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings it will be presumed that Sri Md. Israr Ahmad, the then Joint Director of Marketing, Vijayawada and working at present as Director of Marketing in O/o. the Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing, Guntur is aware of such representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of the A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of the charge memo may be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

B. RAJSEKHAR
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri Md. Israr Ahmad, the then Joint Director of Marketing, Vijayawada and working at present
as Director of Marketing in O/o. the Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing, Guntur
(Through the Commissioner & Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur.)
Copy to:
The AG, AP., Guntur.
The Deputy Pay & Accounts Officer, Guntur.
The Agri & Coop (Marketing.I/II) Dept.
SF/SC.

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ANNEXURE.1

STATEMENT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI. MD. ISRAR AHMAD, THE THEN JOINT DIRECTOR OF MARKETING, VIJAYAWADA AND PRESENTLY WORKING AS DIRECTOR OF MARKETING, O/O COMMR. & DIRECTOR OF AGRIL. MARKETING, GUNTUR

ARTICLE OF CHARGE

That, Sri. Md. Israr Ahmed the then Joint Director of Marketing , Vijayawada , presently working as Director of Marketing, O/o: Commissioner & Director of Marketing, Guntur has failed to performe his official duties as follows:

1) Sri. Md. Israr Ahmed the then Joint Director of Marketing , Vijayawada , presently working as Director of Marketing, O/o: Commissioner & Director of Marketing, Guntur has failed to do Supervision over preparation of farmers list whose stocks were gutted in fire accident since huge amount of Market Yard funds were spent without reaching the effected farmers.

2) He has also failed to supervise proper verification of Certificates , and countersigning on certificates issued by Selection Grade Secretary, AMC, Guntur, which were submitted by Commission Agents to insurance companies for claiming insurance.

3) Sri. Md. Israr Ahmed the then Joint Director of Marketing , Vijayawada , presently working as Director of Marketing, O/o: Commissioner & Director of Marketing, Guntur has failed to Supervise over the distribution of insurance claims by Commission Agents to affected farmers.

By his above mentioned acts, Sri. Md. Israr Ahmad, the then Joint Director of Marketing, Vijayawada and presently working as Director of Marketing, O/o Commr. & Director of Agril. Marketing, Guntur exhibits lack of integrity, devotion to duty and unbecoming a Public Servant and thereby contravened Rule 3 of A.P. Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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ANNEXURE – II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS AND MISCONDUCT IN SUPPORT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI. MD. ISRAR AHMAD, THE THEN JOINT DIRECTOR OF MARKETING, VIJAYAWADA AND PRESENTLY WORKING AS DIRECTOR OF MARKETING, O/O COMMR. & DIRECTOR OF AGRIL. MARKETING, GUNTUR

A Fire Accident has took place in Mirchi Yard of AMC, Guntur at 9.30 AM on 03.05.2008 and damaged the chillies bought to the Market by the farmers for sale and chillies purchased by the traders though Commission agents.

During Enquiry conducted by the V&E Dept., the Director General (V&E) and E.O. Prl. Secy. to Govt., in their report No.24 (C.No.2187/V&E/D3/2013) Dt.19.04.2016 has conducted enquiry and observe the following findings:

1) No proper procedure was adopted for arriving at the quantity of chillies destroyed in the fire accident. Verification of records produced by the marketing officials clearly shows that the key registers at the entry and exist gats i.e., inward registers and out ward registers were not property maintained by AMC, Guntur.

2) The details for total 2, 51, 746 chillies bags gutted did not tally it the Inward Register and Outward Register and finalization of gutted farmers' stocks was based on the details produced by the Commission Agents.

3) The Marketing Authorities have not monitored the distribution of cheques to the farmers by the Revenue Authorities eventhough Rs.11.08 crores of Market Committee Funds were allotted. Though acquaintances are available, some farmers have alleged non- receipt or receipt of partial amount.

4) The Commission Agents initiated insurance claim proposals irregularly with the certification of Marketing officials without any proper documentary evidence of quantity of chilies present at the time of fire accident. Insurance was claimed on the names of some of the farmers who were already paid compensation from the market yard funds. Majority of the commission agents who claimed insurance amount did not pay the same to the fire affected farmers.

5) Insurance amount figures of AMC are not talling with Insurance Companies figures. The Insurance Companies are reporting having paid much higher amounts.

6) The AMC has not monitored payment of insurance money to the farmers by the Commission Agents.

It shows supervisory lapses of Sri Md Israr Ahmed, Director of Marketing 0/o. Commissioner & Director of Marketing, Guntur while working as Regional Joint Director of Marketing, Vijayawada .

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ANNEXURE - III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS ON THE BASIS OF WHICH THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI MD. ISRAR AHMAD, THE THEN JOINT DIRECTOR OF MARKETING, VIJAYAWADA AND WORKING AT PRESENT AS DIRECTOR OF MARKETING IN 0/O THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURAL MARKETING, GUNTUR

Vigilance Report No.24 (C.No.2787/ V&E/D3/2013) dt: 19.04.2016 of D.G. (V&E) and E.O. Prl. Secy., to Govt., GAD.

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ANNEXURE - IV

LIST OF WITNESS BY WHOM BY THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI MD. ISRAR AHMAD, THE THEN JOINT DIRECTOR OF MARKETING, VIJAYAWADA AND WORKING AT PRESENT AS DIRECTOR OF MARKETING IN 0/O. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURAL MARKETING, GUNTUR

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